

# Mission Ranchos

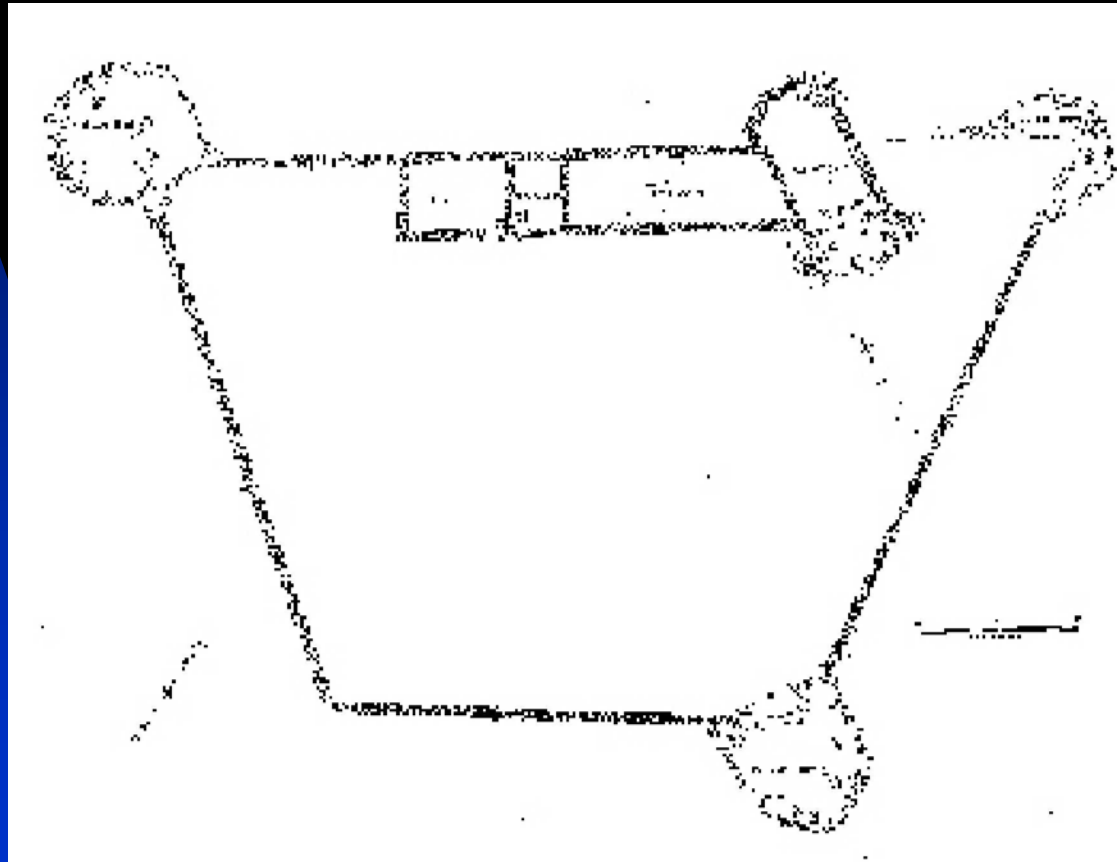
Robert Jackson

**The mission consisted not only of the main building complex, but also extensive lands, and satellite settlements that were the venue for farming and ranching operations. These settlements, generally called ranchos, also became significant population centers.**

**Las Cabras Rancho, operated on the Lower San Antonio River by Franciscans stationed at San Francisco de la Espada mission, typified the Texas ranchos. A small and fortified building complex was the base of operations for an extensive livestock grazing operation.**



# Map of Rancho Las Cabras



# 1912 Photograph of ruins of Rancho Las Cabras



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**The Franciscans in California also developed ranchos that in several instances became important centers of population.**

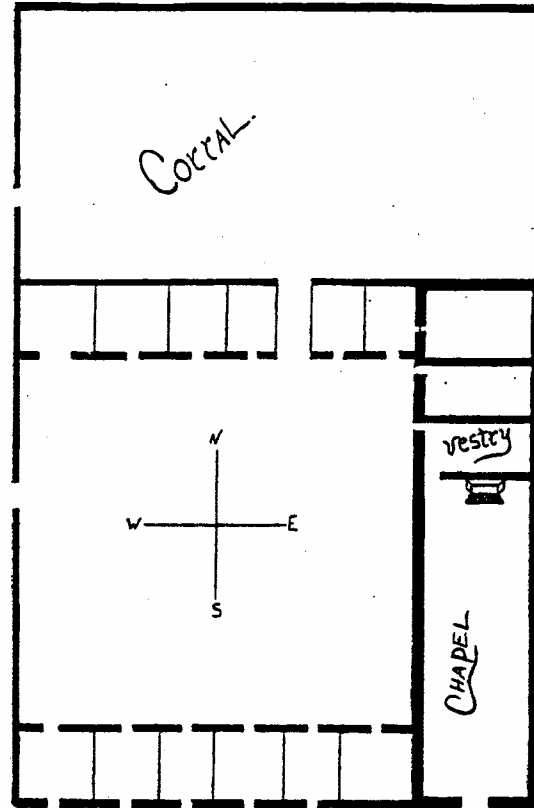
# Perhaps the best known is San Antonio de Pala, operated by the Franciscans at San Luis Rey



# Etching of Pala in the early 1880s



# Diagram Showing the Building Complex at Pala



*Diagram Showing the Buildings of Rancho San Antonio de Pala  
(San Luis Rey Mission)*

**A Second Rancho was  
Las Flores. The ruins of  
Las Flores are shown  
here.**



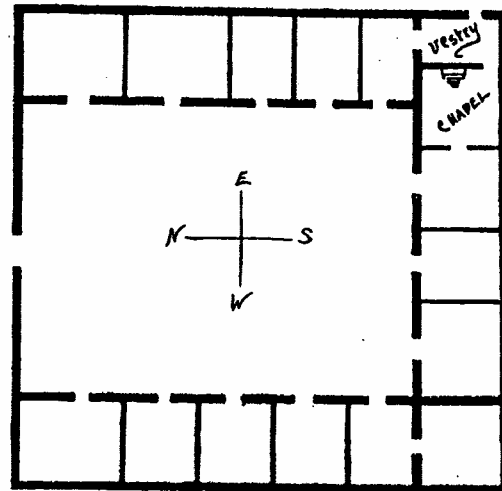
# Las Flores around 1849



# Ruins of Las Flores in 1936



# Diagram Showing the Building Complex of Las Flores



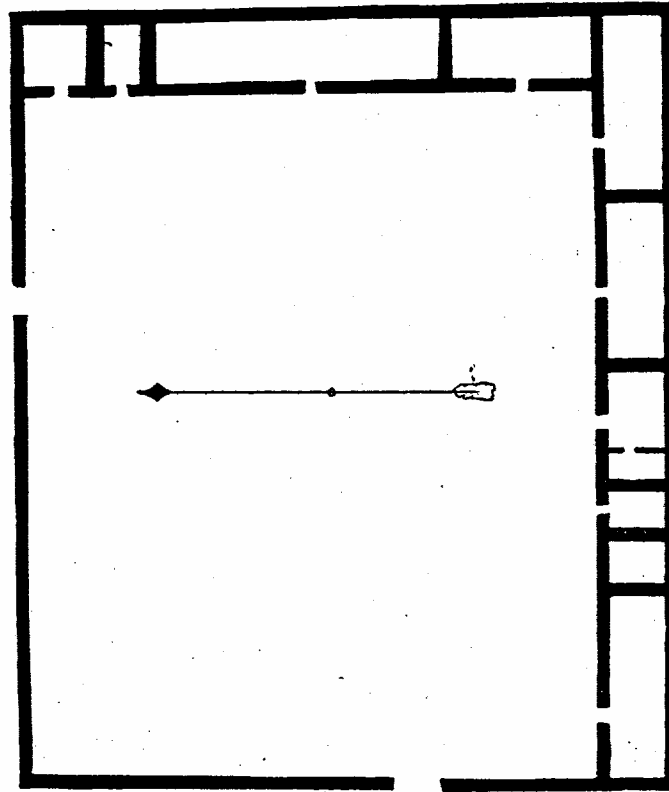
*Diagram Showing the Buildings of Rancho Los Flores (San Luis Rey Mission)*

# Other missions counted Ranchos. Shown here is Paso Robles Rancho of San Miguel mission



CASA del PASO de ROBLES, the old farm building of the MISSION of SAN MIGUEL, now the SHEEP FARM of JAMES BLACKBURN.  
MEETING of REVOLUTIONARY BATTLE-WARRIORS at the CENTRAL BOARD FOR THE ADAPTATION OF SHEEP.

The Franciscans at San Diego developed a Rancho in the interior called Santa Isabel. This diagram shows the building complex.



*Plan del rancho de S<sup>ta</sup> Isabel.*

*Escala de 100*

*Diagram Showing the Buildings of Rancho Santa Isabel (San Diego Mission)*

# Ruins of Santa Isabel

